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(54) **DETECTING DEVICE OF DETERIORATION OF THERMOCOUPLE**

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(57) Abstract

PURPOSE: To obtain a detecting device of deterioration of a thermocouple which can detect and predict deterioration of the thermocouple easily, by a simple construction.

CONSTITUTION: This device is equipped with a current source 5 which supplies a prescribed current intermittently to a thermocouple 1 and with a processing means 3 which measures a temperature T from a thermoelectromotive force generated by the thermocouple 1, calculates a resistance value corresponding to the measured temperature from the relation between a temperature and the resistance value of the thermocouple 1 stored beforehand in a memory 4, measures the resistance value of the thermocouple 1 from a voltage drop at the time when the current is supplied to the thermocouple 1 from the current source 5, compares this resistance value with the calculated resistance value and detects deterioration of the thermocouple 1 therefrom.

